OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: CONNIE MORAN: HOME-COMMUNITY BASED WAIVER PROGRAM

DATE 9/26/01
CC: RENICK SMITH

Connie Moran called me 2 weeks ago to inquire about bringing a group of concerned parents up to meet with you during 1-on-1. She did not come up due to the change in 1-on-1 plans due to the attacks. She has since sent you the attached letter. I explained in our phone conversation that the Legislature has the statutory power to appropriate, but that I would make you aware of her concerns.

Moran is requesting that you do all you can to reinstate the Home-Community Based MR/DD Waiver Program in Mental Health's budget. The program provides home-based services for mentally retarded and developmentally delayed citizens. Moran says the home-based care is much cheaper than placing a person in an institution. Moran says that the Program is in danger of being cut, although the Legislature approved expansion of the program. This program has a 3:1 match.

I'm going to provide this information to Wanda so that she can look into the situation further. I thought you would want to see Ms. Moran's letter given the Legislature's criticism of the Medicaid deficit. Ms. Moran is going to try to bring a group up for a future 1-on-1.